

regulatory framework in place prior to enactment of the CFMA. Therefore, to prevent disruption to participants who trade futures contracts on security indexes that are currently excluded from the definition of a narrow-based security index under this provision, the Commissions believe it is appropriate to extend this exclusion beyond June 21, 2002. In this regard, the Commissions believe it is appropriate to establish, under section 1a(25)(B)(vi) of the CEA and section 3(a)(55)(C)(vi) of the Exchange Act, that each such index continue to be excluded from the definition of a narrow-based security index, provided that it continues to be traded on or subject to the rules of a foreign board of trade and that the conditions under which the offer and sale of a futures contract on the index in the United States was authorized continue to be met.⁸

Accordingly,

It is ordered, pursuant to Section 1a(25)(B)(vi) of the CEA and Section 3(a)(55)(C)(vi) of the Exchange Act, that an index is not a narrow-based security index if: (1) It is traded on or subject to the rules of a foreign board of trade; (2) the offer and sale in the United States of a contract of sale for future delivery on the index was authorized before the date of the enactment of the CFMA; and (3) the conditions of such authorization continue to be met.

By the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Dated: May 31, 2002.

Jean Webb,
Secretary.

By the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Dated: May 31, 2002.

Margaret H. McFarland,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0073]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Submission for OMB Review; Advance Payments

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning advance payments. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 67 FR 17676 on April 11, 2002. No comments were received.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. **DATES:** Submit comments on or before July 8, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeremy F. Olson, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-3221.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

Advance payments may be authorized under Federal contracts and subcontracts. Advance payments are the least preferred method of contract financing and require special determinations by the agency head or designee. Specific financial information about the contractor is required before determinations by the agency head or designee. Specific financial information about the contractor is required before such payments can be authorized (see FAR 32.4 and 52.232-12). The information is used to determine if advance payments should be provided to the contractor.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 500.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 500.

Hours Per Response: 1.

Total Burden Hours: 500.

Obtaining Copies of Proposals:

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0073, Advance Payments, in all correspondence.

Dated: May 31, 2002.

Al Matera,

Director, Acquisition Policy Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0070]

Submission for OMB Review; Payments

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved

⁸ For a list of security indexes underlying futures contracts that have received no-action relief prior to the enactment of the CFMA, see the CFTC's Backgrounder on its website at <http://www.cftc.gov/opa/backgrounder/opapart30.htm>.